

PERFORATED POSTAL STATIONERY

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It may be that some of you who were members in 1983 will remember that I put out an appeal for information about Perforated Postal Stationery. I produced a worksheet for those who expressed an interest and I received some useful information.

Unfortunately, my aging mother began to need far more of my care and time at that date and the research was shelved. After she died in 1985 I found out that I had MS and my spare energy was taken up with my teaching post. No sooner did I take early retirement in 1988 but Michael Rucklidge "persuaded" me to take on the position as Editor of the Society Bulletin. I now feel I ought to take out the notes from 1983 and resurrect the project.

By Perforated Postal Stationery we are talking about all pre stamped items with a perfin die perforated through the stamp printed on the cover. Perforated Postal Stationery falls into five (and a bit!) sections: Post Cards; Newspaper Wrappers; Air Letters; Registered Envelopes; Envelopes; (and Telegraph Forms). In this first article I will concentrate on Postal Stationery Cards but exclude the cards with Sloper Experimental Cancels as I covered this subject in December 1993 and 1994 Bulletins.

Many of the cards tabulated here are in my own collection or have been reported to me by members (often with photocopy) or I have seen photocopied details in magazine articles. I will ask for more details about specific dies in the appropriate place. February 1874 seems to be the earliest date and June 1912 the latest date for the cards.

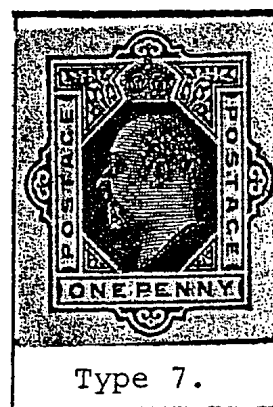
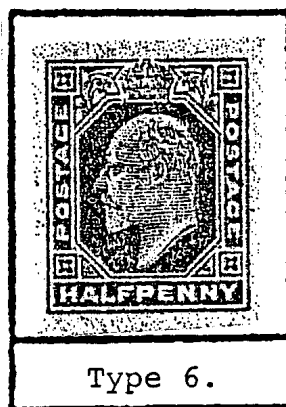
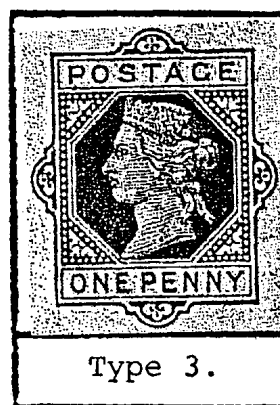
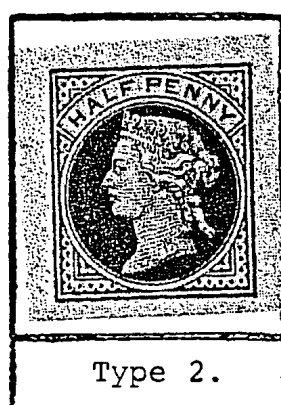
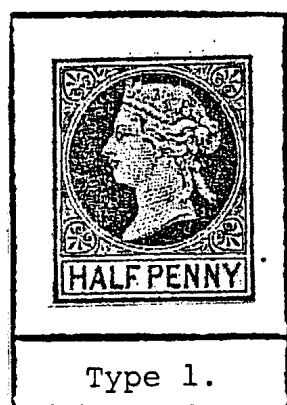
I have made a note of data collected by Mary Thornton and published in Bulletin 39 (1962); 42 (1962); 59 (1964): data taken from the Barbara Kloss collection, prior to it being sold, via Dick Mewhinney: data from articles on Taff Vale Railway cards by Tom Venables and Reg Powell in previous Bulletins: data from an article in the Perfins Bulletin Nov-Dec 1977 by Mike Burrows: data from The Cinderella Philatelist October 1965 and October 1966: data from 1983-1996 sent in by Arthur Smith, John Nelson, Reg Powell, Mr Enschede (further details required), Mr Hewlett, Boris Pritt, Bob Schwerdt, John Marriner, Brian Smith, Jack Brandt, Alan Briggs, Brian Birch and Roy Everett who all added some new facts.

If anyone knows of other articles on the subject I would appreciate a copy with provenance.

Now the available data is being tabulated, I would be grateful if any member who has postal stationery material could send similar details of items in that section as they are published. I intend to produce a complete booklet with all sections, similar to the Sloper Experimental Cancels Booklet. It would be useful to know which dies had the most common usage.

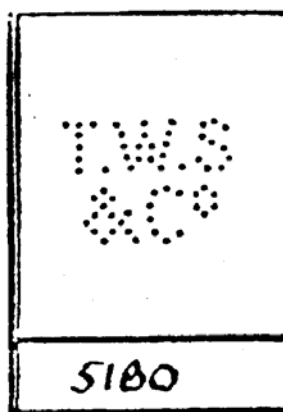
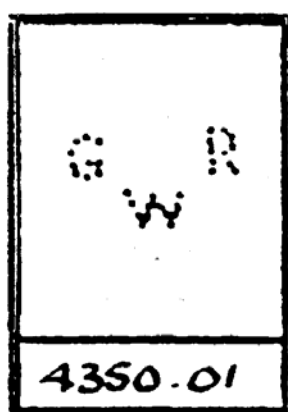
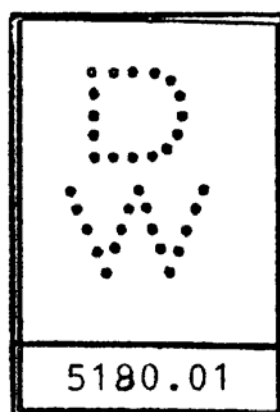
There are eight different pre-printed stamps on the known perforated cards. They are:-

1.	Type 1	QV ½d lilac	First issued 1-10-70
2.	Type 1	QV ½d brown	First issued 1-2-75
3.	Type 2	QV ½d brown	First issued 1-1-78
4.	Type 3	QV 1d brown	First issued 1-4-79
5.	Type 4	QV 1d red (full figure)	First issued 1-4-92
6.	Type 5	QV 1½d brown	First issued 1-7-75
7.	Type 6	EVII ½d green	First issued Jan' 02
8.	Type 7	EVII 1d red	First issued Feb' 02



Known Data on Perforated Postal Stationery Cards at August 1996
Post Cards with Type 1 - QV ½d lilac – stamp

<u>Cat. No.</u>	<u>PERFIN</u>	<u>IDENTIFIED USER</u>	<u>EARLIEST</u>	<u>LATEST</u>
D5180.01	D/W	? Boston	1876	
G?	?	Great Western Railway		
(This is in Jennings's Book – no details)				
G4350.01	GR/W	Great Western Railway	3-4-77	29-10-77
T5180.01	T.W.S/&C ^o	Thomas Wilson, Sons & Co., Hull	15-8-76	1-2-78
W7490.01	STOTT/&C ^o	W H Stott & Co., Liv'l	2-2-74	1-1-78

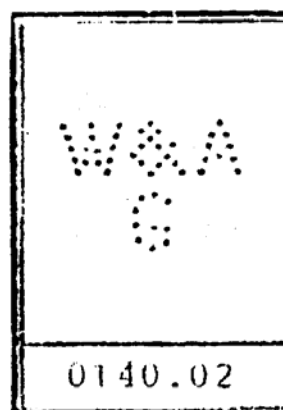
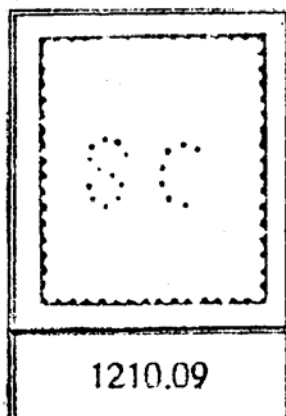
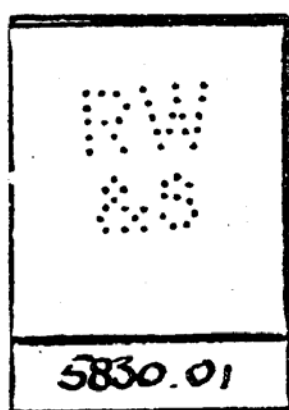
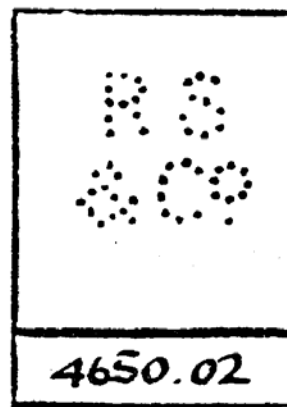
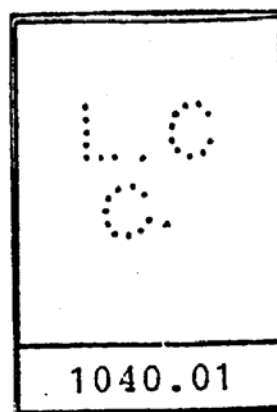
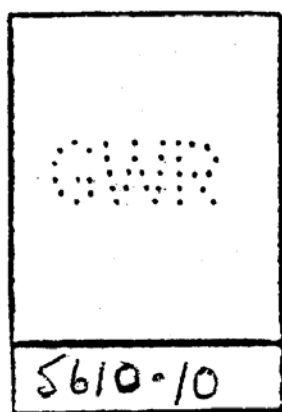
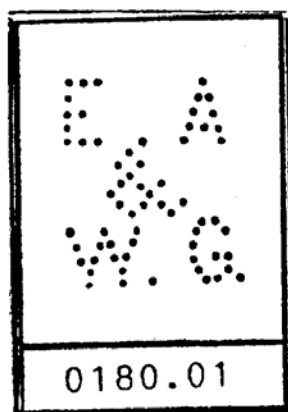
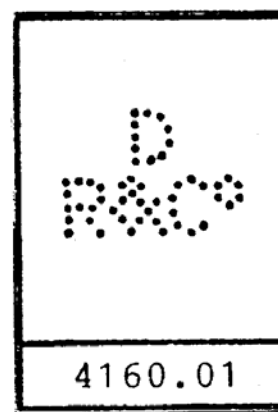
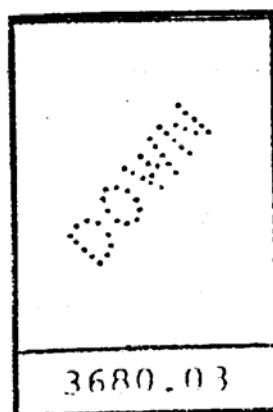
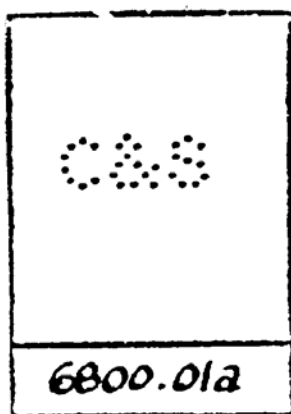
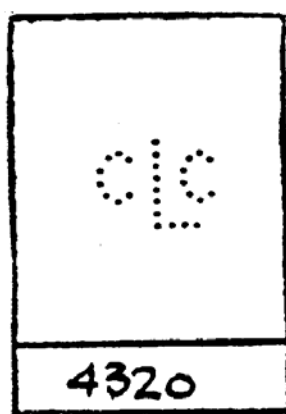


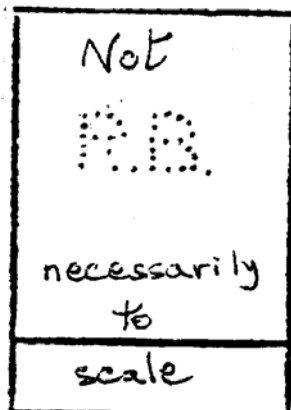
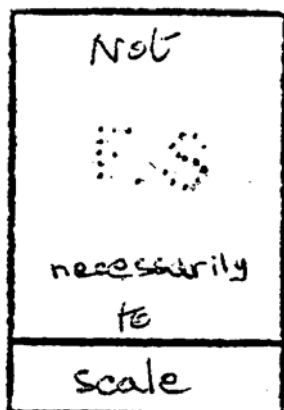
Post Cards with Type 1 or 2 – QV ½d brown - stamp

At this stage in my research I have no details, except from my own collection, if the cards in this group dated after 1875 are Type 1 or Type 2. Please look carefully at your holdings and advise.

C4320.01	cLc	London County Council		
(Again from Jennings's – I only have a cut-out)				
C6800.01a	C&S	? Mint-card		
D3680.03	DOWN	R Langdon-Down	19-7-99	
		Normansfield, Hampton		
		Wick, Kingston-on-Thames		
D4160.01	D/R&C ^o	D Radford & Co. London	21-06-76	
E0180.01	E.A/&W.G.	Edward Acraman & Wl'm	21-12-77	
		Greenslade, Bristol		
F?New Die	F.S	Fred Sullivan, Salt	?	
		Merchant, Grimsby		
G5610.01	GWR	Great Western Railway	12-1-86	15-9-86
L1040.01	L.C/C	London County Council?		
(Again from Jennings's)				

R?New Die	R.B.(14,17)	Robert Baker, Grays ? Inn Rd., London WC	
R4650.02	RS/&C ^o .	Richardson, Spence & Co	22-8-81
		Water St., Liverpool	
R5830.01	RW/SS	Richard Wheen & Sons,	02-06-86
		Deptford Creek	
S1210.09	SC	Salford Corporation	20-08-98 21-6-00
	(If you have this one, please advise of holes in 'C')		
S7490.01	STOTT/&C ^o	W H Stott & Co., Liv'l	06-11-76
T5180.01	T.W.S/&C ^o	Thomas Wilson, Sons & Co	25-07-81
W0140.02	W&A/G	W & A Gilbey, Oxford	02-02-86 22-5-88



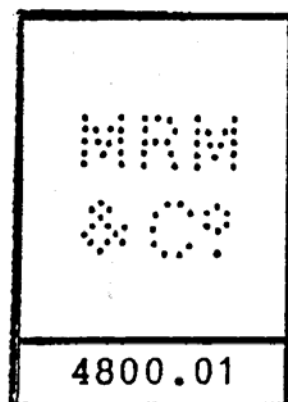
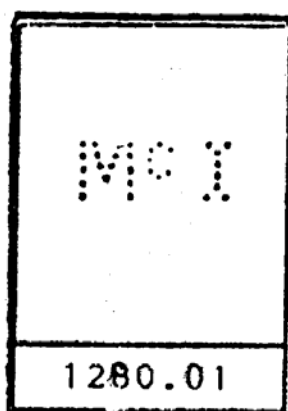
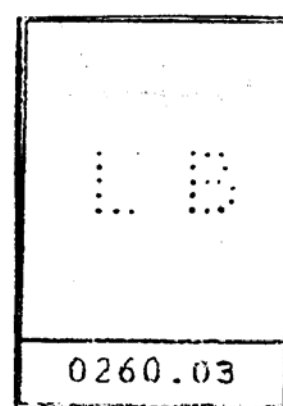
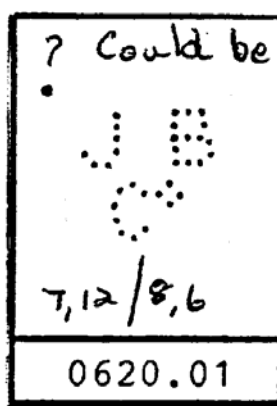
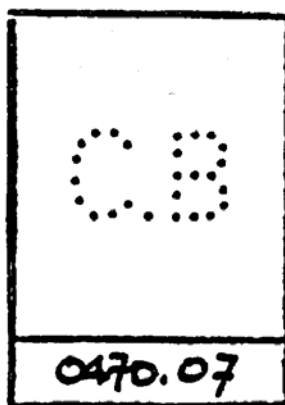


The two new dies were hand illustrated in The Cinderella Philatelist and I need help to locate these dies.

The 'R.B.' looks rather suspect.

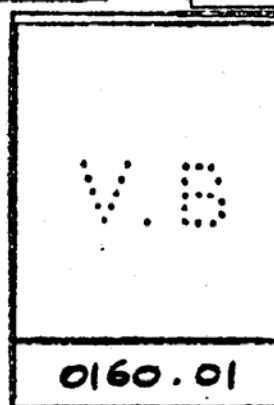
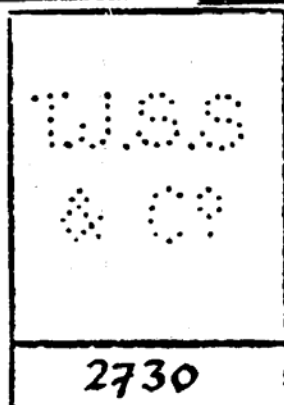
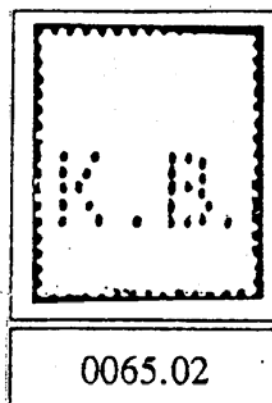
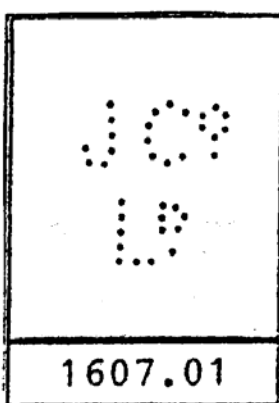
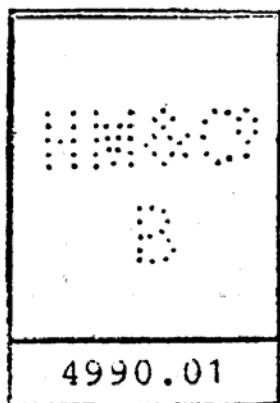
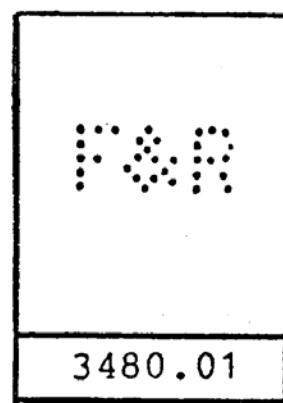
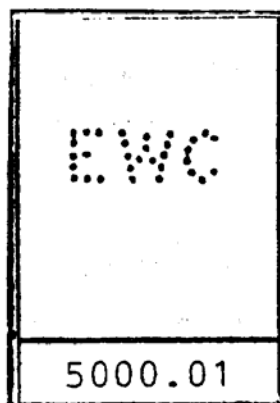
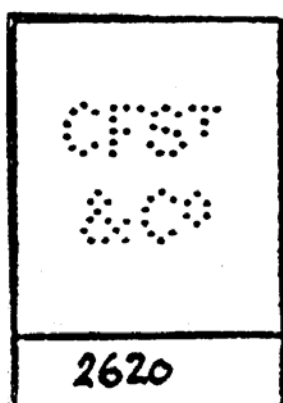
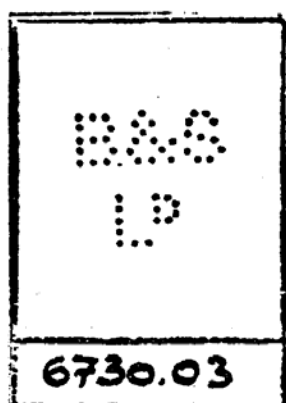
Post Cards with Type 3 - QV 1d brown – stamp

C0470.07	C.B	?	30-1-93	
H6150.02	H.R./&C ^o	Hayn Roman & Co. London	19-1-78	14-4-88
J0620.01?	JB/C ^o	James Booth & Co. Birm'm	5-2-89	
(Some doubt about the die - from Mr. Enschede)				
L0260.03	LB	Louis Behrens, Manch'r	19-2-81	
M1280.01	McI	Malcolm McIntyre & Co	?	
		Liverpool		
M4800.01	MRM/&C ^o .	M R Meyer & Co.	31-3-86	
		Mincing Lane, London		
T5180.01	T.W.S/&C ^o	Thomas Wilson, Sons	8-6-82	



Post Cards with Type 4 - QV 1d red (Full Fig.) - stamp

B6730.03	B&S/Ld	Baches & Strauss, EC	15-8-92
C2620.01	CFS t/&Co	C F Stahlecker & Co. EC	?
E5000.01	EWC	E W Carling & Co. EC3	?
F3480.01	F&R	Frost & Reed, Clare St Bristol ,	?
H4990.01	HM&CS/B	Hills, Menke & Co. Gt. Charles St., Birm'm	14-2-94
J1607.01	JCo/Ld.	The Johannis Co Ltd, Regent St., London	23-11-92
K0065.02	K.B.	Kuetgens Bros, Regent St., London	29-8-94
T2730.01	T.J.S.S/&Co.	T J Smith,Son & Downes Q. Vic. St., London EC	17-11-92
V0160.01	V.B	Volkart Brothers, EC	3-8-92 13-12-94



Post Cards with Type 5 - QV 1½d brown - stamp

(This rate was for foreign destinations within the UPU)

A5690.01	AW/B	Altendorf & Wright, Birmingham	19-9-77
T5180.01	T.W.S/&C ^o	Thomas Wilson, Sons	8-11-78

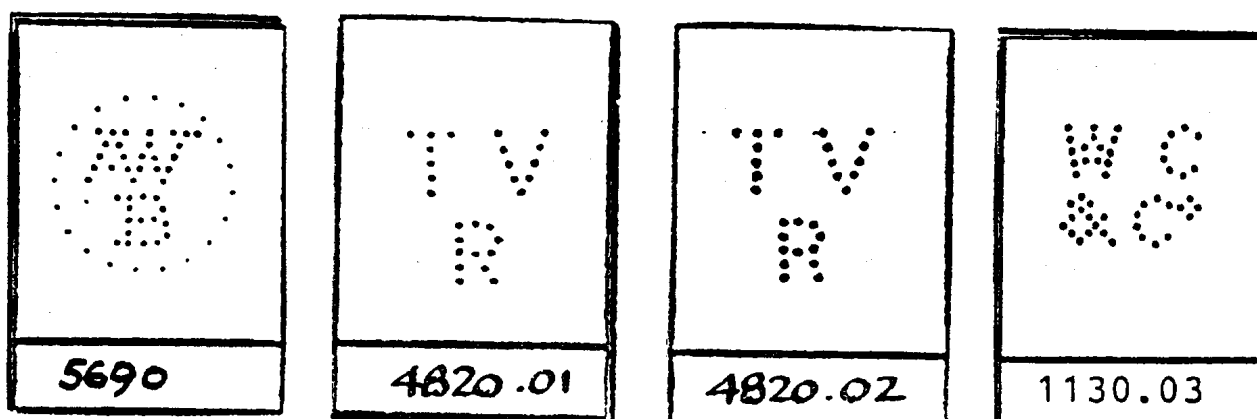
Post Cards with Type 6 - EVII ½d green – stamp

D3680.03	DOWN	R Langdon-Down, K-on-T	17-5-07
T4820.01	TV/R	Taff Vale Railway	1-6-06
T4820.02	TV/R	Taff Vale Railway	16-6-02 12-6-12

(There are many TV/R cards on the market.
Please advise the die and date.)

Post Cards with Type 7 -EVII 1d red – stamp

W1130.03	WC/&C ^o	W Caudery & Co. Fenchurch Ave., EC	13-6-04
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At the time of writing, the longest user of Perforated Post Cards is The Great Western Railway from 3-4-77 to 15-9-86.

Thomas Wilson, Sons & Co. of Hull used more different types of cards - Types 1, 2, 3 and 5.

The TV/R, DOWN, H.R/SC^o, W&A/G and STOTT/&C^o are the front runners at the moment for the most common users.

I look forward to adding more of your information into the research.

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